



Headteacher's Blog

Friday 19th June 2020.

**STAY ALERT
CONTROL
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SAVE LIVES**

Reminder to Y6.

Please make sure you send to Mrs Fletcher your favourite memory/ goodbye message by the weekend.

Dear Parents/ Carers and Friends of Whittingham Primary School,
Another week passes by and I hope you are all keeping safe and well.
The children who have returned to school since after half term have settled in nicely. I hope everyone at home is keeping well too.

I am keeping a close eye out for government guidance regarding how we will operate as a school in September and as soon as I know this information I will work with staff and governors on the best and safest solution for our families and let you know.

As you all know, Mrs Fortescue is leaving us at the end of this term. I will be recruiting a replacement for her as soon as we can carry out normal interview procedures which includes gathering children's opinions of candidates and their involvement in the process as it is important that we recruit someone who is going to help us make our school even better. To provide stability for the Autumn Term Miss Donkin will continue in post for the term and Miss Armstrong will also extend her contract for the Autumn Term too. Mrs Marsden (Thomas, Henry and William's Mum) is an experienced EY teacher and will share the Early Years teaching post with Miss Dick until October half term when we can recruit a permanent member of staff to share the job with Miss Dick.

I will be working on which classes the teachers will be leading in September and should let you know of staffing organisation next week.

Belinda Athey - Headteacher.



Thank you PTA

Mrs Fletcher has been working with the Y6 pupils to make sure they get their chosen colour and size of Leavers Hoodie.

The PTA have kindly agreed to pay for them as their present to our leavers once again this year.

When the Year 6 children return to school, hopefully on Monday 6th July they will be given their hoodie to wear as part of their uniform for the last 2 weeks of term with their own choice of trousers or leggings.

Reminders

Year 1 will continue their small group face to face work with the week beginning Monday 29th June being their last week in school to enable our Y6 pupils to be in school for the final two weeks of term.

If our key worker group increases in size please be reminded that these children take priority and we may have to reduce our provision to the non key worker children. Of course, as soon as this seems likely I will let you know.

Health reminders.

Please ensure you continue to follow government guidelines and social distancing measures, especially if your child is coming into school as it is important that we can keep children and staff as safe as possible.

It is also important that you do not send your child to school if they are unwell. If they display any symptoms of COVID 19 please arrange for a test to be taken and only return to school if a negative result is given. In the unlikely event that you are unable to get a test straight away please keep your child off school (for a minimum of 7 days as this is still the NHS guidance) until a test is given and result is given.